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SUBJECT.

Recommendation No. 44 of the Prison Reforms Committee regarding the Central Jail, Hoshiarpur and other connected matters.

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Prison Reforms — Female prisoners — clothing toilet and other amenities

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(1) The Prison Reforms Committee suggested that female prisoners should be encouraged to keep themselves neat and tidy. In order to enable them to do so, the Committee recommended that they should be given —

1. An additional pair of Sadis (they are now given two cloths, each 6 yards long and 42 inches broad and two ravikes which should ordinarily last for 9 months Vide Rules 341-342 of the Jail Manual)
2. A woollen jacket during the cold season. (Rule 353 provides that woollen jackets may be issued to prisoners during the cold months)
3. A reasonable supply of oil, four spoonfuls instead of the present supply of two per week, for dressing their hair
4. ~~A mm~~ A mirror.
5. A Comb. (It may be stated in this connection that in Punjab female convicts are given one comb on ~~admission~~ and three towels on admission) and
6. Permission to obtain other toilet articles at their own cost

2) The Committee is of opinion that this would help to maintain that feeling of pride in personal appearance which is

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an element in the cultivation of self-respect.

3) The I.G. of Prisons states that there are facilities in the Central and Mysore Jails to keep these prisoners neat and tidy. He has not ~~said~~ stated what these facilities are, and how he proposes to utilise these facilities to bring about the results aimed at by the Committees. Nor has he made any suggestions in regard to the supply of the articles which the Committee recommended ~~should~~ to be given to female prisoners.

4) If these prisoners are to keep themselves neat and tidy, it seems essential to provide them with the articles recommended by the Committees, which seem to represent the barest minimum. The articles themselves are not ~~costly~~ costly and having regard to the fact that the number of female prisoners in the two jails is about 22 only, the implementing of the Committee's recommendation would not be costly affair. The I.G. of Prisons may perhaps be requested to send an estimate of what ~~the~~ the supply of the articles in question would cost and to state whether it would not be possible for him to meet this cost

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from the sanctioned grants of the Department.

(4) The Committee further observe that female prisoners bathe usually in the open air, though separately in their own blocks. They suggested on grounds of health and of privacy that there should be a covered private bath-rooms for them.

5) The I. G. of Prisons states that the existing ~~[illegible]~~ bathing platforms in the Central jail may be covered to ensure privacy and that this work could be undertaken and completed by convict-labour at a small cost.

6) This proposal may perhaps be approved and the I. G. P. requested to take up the work on hand as early as possible. It is for consideration however whether, in view of the fact that a covered and private bath-rooms is a prime necessity in the case of female prisoners, it may not be better to put up a permanent structure if necessary in consultation with the P. W. D.

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7) The I. G. of Prisons has not stated what he proposes to do in the case of the Mysore jail where also there are female convicts. His attention may

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perhaps be invited to it and proposals in that behalf called for from him.

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6) A, B & C may be approved.

Minister in Law.)

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Hm 2 12.1.42 MRW 12/1/42

10) Draft letter is submitted for appt.

k 20/1/42

11) Please put up after orders are passed on the file re procedure

MRW 22/1/42

12) Submitted for appt. The file regarding procedure is submitted separately.

b 5/2/42

13) Draft letter to the I.G.P. calling for information is submitted for consideration

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Law Secy)

14) Hm 2 7.3.42

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11.3.1942

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Prison Reforms – Toilet facilities &c. for female prisoners

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Letter No 5532-1948/1765 June 42 from the I.G. of Prisons furnishing a report on the several points referred to in Sl 1.

(6) The I.G. of Prisons states that:-

1. The female prisoners are given soap-nut powder and 750 gr. for bathing ~~purposes~~ and washing purposes and that they are also given combs and a little quantity of cocoanut oil to enable them to dress their hair, though this is not provided for in the Jail Manual;

2. There are bathing platforms for female prisoners in both the Jails and that arrangements have been made to get these platforms covered so as to ensure greater privacy; and

3. That as recommended by the Committee, they may be supplied with an additional sari, a vest, a woollen jacket and a mirror each at an additional cost of about Rs 150/- per annum.

(7) The I.G. of Prisons has accordingly suggested to amend the Rule 341(2) of the Jail Manual.

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18) Mr I & P has not pointed out the source for meeting this additional cost. As this is a small amount this may perhaps be met out of the Sanctioned grants of the Jail Dept.
Submitted for orders.

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18/6/42

M/ 19) The I. G. P. reports that arrangements have since been made to get the bathing platforms for female prisoners in both the jails covered so as to ensure greater privacy.

20) As regards the additional clothing and toilet facilities recommended by the Prison Reforms Committee, the I. G. of Prisons states that the additional cost on this account will be Rs 150/- per annum, and that the suggestions of the Committee may be approved, Rule 341(2) of the jail manual being amended accordingly.

21) The Indian Jails Committee also recommended that female prisoners should be given a reasonable quantity of oil for dressing their hair, a comb each and should be allowed the use of a looking-glass, one in each cell and one or two in each ward. (Para 294). This recommendation has been accepted in British India (Bengal: Rule 960)

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This amount involved in the acceptance of the recommendation is not known. The recommendations of the Committee may perhaps be approved

MNN 19/6

Law Secy)

Adequate provision is made to keep female prisoners neat & tidy & to ensure privacy of bathing, bath room

The recommendation regarding supply of additional clothing &c may be accepted & R 341(2) may be amended as suggested by the S.G.P

Minister for Law
Dewan

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Draft G.O. is submitted for consideration. The I. G. P. has not suggested any change in the Lock-up rules. This is perhaps due to the fact that prisoners in lock-ups are ordinarily permitted to wear their own clothing.

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Law Secy)

May be approved.

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MKV 25/7

Minister for Law

Approved

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Law 27-7-42

Secretary MKV 27/7

Triennial sentences agreed. Draft confirmed. H.M. 4

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Secretary 4/8

The I. G. of Prisons and the Comptroller through P.D. G.O. No. P 853-54 Dated 1-8-42

Accepts the recommendation of the Committee for the supply of additional articles of clothing and toilet to female prisoners.

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The Inspector-General of Prisons in Mysore,

Bangalore.

Subject: Toilet facilities for female prisoners etc. Prison Reforms Committee Report.

S i r,

I am directed to invite reference your opinion in respect of recommendation No.44 of the Prison Reforms Committee, and to request you to be so good as to intimate what the existing facilities are in the Central and Mysore Jails to keep female prisoners neat and tidy and to forward an estimate of the cost involved in the supply to female prisoners of the articles recommended by the Prisons Reforms Committee in paragraph 45 of Chapter III of their Report.

I am to state that Government approve of your proposal to get the existing bathing platforms in the Central Jail covered by convict labour at a small cost so as to ensure privacy and that the work may be taken on hand as early as possible.

I am to enquire whether covered private bathrooms for female prisoners exists already in the Mysore Jail, and what arrangements are proposed to be made in their absence to ensure privac

I have etc.,

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Secretary to Govt.
Law Dept.

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To

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The D. G. of Prisons

Subject: Toilet facilities for female prisoners etc.. Prison Reforms Committee-Report-

Date of issue..... 30/6/42

Signed by ..... Mr. M. K. G.

Sir,

I am directed to invite reference to this Office letter No. P. 4172/ Pris 42-41-1. dated 11. 3. 42 on the above subject and to request that information called for therein may be sent very early.

I have etc

for Secy. to Govt

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No. 532-119
Encls.

OFFICE OF
The Inspector-General of
Prisons in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Date 17th June 1942.

CENL. & REV. SECRETARIAT. BRANCH. 17 JUN 1942

To

The Secretary to the Government
of H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
Law Department, Bangalore.

SECY. LAW DEPT. 17 JUNE 1942 GOVT OF MYSORE

Subject:- Toilet fecilities for female prisoners.

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter No. P. 4949 dated the 30th April 1942 on the above subject, I have the honour to state as follows:-

1. The fecilities existing in the Jails at Bangalore and Mysore, to keep the female prisoners neat and tidy.

The female prisoners are given soap-nut powder and ~~fuller's earth~~ for bathing and washing purposes. They are also given combs and a little quantity of Cocoanut oil to enable them to dress their hair, though this is not provided for in the Jail Manual.

2. Bathing platforms for female prisoners.

There are bathing platforms for female prisoners in both the Jails. Arrangements have since been made to get these platforms covered so as to enusre greater privacy.

3. The cost on account of additional clothing, etc recommended by the Reforms Committee to be supplied to female convicts

Under rule 341 (2) of the Mysore Jail Manual, female prisoners are now supplied with two sadies, each six yards in length and 42" in width and two ravikes, each. As recommended by the Committee, they may be supplied with an additional sadi, a ravike, a wollen jacket and a mirror, each. The additional cost will be about Rs. 150/- per annum. Rule 341 (2) may be amended as follows:-

Rule 341 clause 2. The following scale of clothing and toiletry shall be allowed to Indian female convicts:-

Saries, 6 yards in length and 42" wide in width.	3	
Ravikes	3	
Wollen jacket	1	if specially required
Cocanut oil	1 oz.	(weekly)
Comb	1	To last for four months.
Mirror	1	

They shall also be allowed to provide at their own cost or to obtain from relatives or friends such other toilet articles as may be approved by the Superintendent.

Note:- Female prisoners under trial and those sentence to simple imprisonment shall be provided with the same toilet facilities as female convicts.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Inspector-General of Prisons.

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Date of issue 194

Signed by .....

May this be—

(i) printed ?

(ii) treated as a standing order ?

(iii) published in the Gazette, English Part ?

(iv) translated ?

(v) placed at the disposal of the press ?

(vi) published in the Gazette, Kannada Part ?

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File No. 2-42

Serial No. 7.

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Read— 1) Recommendation No. 44 of the Prisons Reforms Committee regarding the clothing toilet and other amenities of females prisoners.

2) Correspondence ending with letter No. 632-19, dated 17th June 1942 from the I. G. of Prisons furnishing his views on the recommendation of the Committee

Order thereon—No. P 853-54 Pris 2-42-7 8/42

The Prison Reforms Committee recommend that females prisoners should be given one additional pair of sadis, a woollen jacket during the cold season, and a reasonable ~~supply~~ quantity of oil (four spoonfuls instead of the present ~~supply~~ allowance of two per week) for dressing their hair, a mirror and a

Courts each with permission to obtain other toilet articles at their own cost.

They further recommend that there should be screened private bath-rooms for female prisoners.

The I.G. of Prisons is of opinion that the probable cost of the additional articles of clothing and toilet recommended by the Committees will be about Rs 150/- per annum, and that they may be supplied to female prisoners. As regards private bath-rooms, he reports that arrangements have since been made to get the bathing platforms for female prisoners screened so as to ensure greater privacy.

Govt are pleased to accept the recommendations of the Committees for the supply of additional articles of clothing and toilet to female prisoners. The expenditure of Rs 150/- on this account will be met out of the sanctioned grants of the Prisons

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Department. They accordingly direct the following amendments to the Rules in the Jail Manual —

Substitute the following for sub-rule (2) of Rules 341 —

"(2) The following scales of clothing and toiletry shall be allowed to Indian female convicts —

Saries, 6 yards in length and 42" in width	3
Ravikes	3
Woollen jacket	1 (if specially required)
Coconut oil	1 oz (weekly)
Comb	1 (to last for four months)
Mirror	

They shall also be allowed to provide at their own cost or to obtain from friends or relatives such other toilet articles as may be approved by the Superintendent.

Note — Female prisoners under trial and those sentenced to simple

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imprisonment shall be provided with the same toilet facilities as female convicts".

Secy to Govt
Law Dept
MMR
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To,

The I. G. of Prisons

The Comptroller to Govt through 7 D

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

Read:—

Recommendation No.44 of the Prison Reforms Committee regarding the clothing, toilet and other amenities of female prisoners.

2. Correspondence ending with letter No.532-19, dated 17th June 1942 from the Inspector General of Prisons furnishing his views on the recommendation of the Committee.

ORDER NO.P.853-54/Pris.2-42-7

Dated, Bangalore, the, 1st August 1942.

The Prison Reforms Committee recommend that female prisoners should be given an additional pair of saris, a woolen jacket during the cold season, a reasonable supply of oil (four spoonfuls instead of the present allowance of two per week) for dressing their hair, a mirror and a comb each with permission to obtain other toilet articles at their own cost. They further recommend that there should be a covered private bath-room for female prisoners.

The Inspector General of Prisons is of opinion that the probable cost of the additional articles of clothing and toilet recommended by the Committee will be about Rs.150/- per annum, and that they may be supplied to female prisoners. As regards private bath-rooms, he reports that arrangements have since been made to get the bathing platforms for female prisoners covered so as to ensure greater privacy.

Government are pleased to accept the recommendation of the Committee for the supply of additional articles of clothing and toilet to female prisoners. The expenditure of Rs.150/- on this account will be met out of the sanctioned grants of the Prison Department. They accordingly direct the following amendments in the rules in the Jail Manual--

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Substitute the following for sub-rule (2) of Rule 341:-

"(2) The following scale of clothing and toiletry shall be allowed to Indian female convicts:-

Saries, 6 yards in length and 42" in width	..	3
Ravikes	..	3
Woollen jacket	..	1 (if specially required)
Coconut oil	..	1 oz. (weekly)
Comb	..	1 (to last for four months)
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They shall also be allowed to provide at their own cost or to obtain from relatives or friends such other toilet articles as may be approved by the Superintendent.

Note:- Female prisoners under trial and those sentenced to simple imprisonment shall be provided with the same toilet facilities as female convicts".

M. N. Varadaraju
Secretary to Government,
Law Department.

To

The Inspector General of Prisons in Mysore.

The Comptroller to Government through Financial Department.

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